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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

JOHN WAYNE ZIDAR, et al.,

v.

Defendants.

CASE NO. C00-823C

ORDER

By letter dated February 28, 2005 (Dkt. No. 360), Claimant Tina Marie Ricci requests the return of all original documents filed with the Court in support of her claim. The Court advises Claimant that since this Court switched to the electronic filing system, it has been this Court's policy not to retain parties' paper filings. This policy is set forth in a link entitled "Amended Electronic Filing Procedures" on the Court's website: www.wawd.uscourts.gov. This policy was updated in April 2004 and provides in pertinent part: "A party filing in paper form who wishes to have an original pleading returned after scanning and uploading to ECF may, at the time of submitting the document to the court, make arrangements with the Clerk's Office for the return of the original pleading." United States District Court Western District of Washington, "Electronic Filing Procedures for Civil and Criminal Cases" at 2.

The Court, therefore, cannot honor Claimant's request that it return the original documents she

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filed because the Clerk's Office no longer has the documents in its possession. The Court, however, hereby DIRECTS the Clerk's Office to provide Claimant with a certified copy of the documents from the electronic docketing system. Any further questions about this matter should be directed to the Clerk's Office. SO ORDERED this <u>13th</u> day of April, 2005. UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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